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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 EIGHTH EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

## SENATE BILL

No. 30

## **Introduced by Senator Oropeza**

February 5, 2010

An act relating to the California Conservation Corps, and making an appropriation therefor.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 30, as amended, Oropeza. California Conservation Corps: local conservation corps programs and facilities.

The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, an initiative bond act, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$5,388,000,000 for the purposes of financing a safe drinking water, water quality and supply, flood control, and resource protection program. Of that amount, \$45,000,000 is available to the California Conservation Corps for resource conservation and restoration projects, facilities, and grants, including \$20,000,000 for grants to local conservation corps.

This bill would appropriate from those bond funds \$20,000,000 to the California Conservation Corps for disbursement to local conservation corps for support of local conservation corps programs and facilities.

(1) The Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003 requires a retailer selling a covered electronic device in this state to collect a covered electronic waste recycling fee from the consumer. Under existing law, the fees are deposited in the Electronic Waste Recovery and Recycling Account and are continuously appropriated for specified purposes.

This bill would appropriate \$15,000,000 from that account to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants

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to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle covered electronic devices, as defined, consistent with the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.

(2) The California Tire Recycling Act requires a person who purchases a new tire to pay a California tire fee and the revenue generated from the fee is deposited in the California Tire Recycling Management Fund, for expenditure by the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for programs related to the disposal of waste tires, except that a specified amount of the fee is designated for programs and projects that mitigate or remediate air pollution caused by waste tires.

This bill would appropriate \$5,000,000 from that fund to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle waste tires consistent with the California Tire Recycling Act, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.

(3) The California Constitution authorizes the Governor to declare a fiscal emergency and to call the Legislature into special session for that purpose. The Governor issued a proclamation declaring a fiscal emergency, and calling a special session for this purpose, on January 8, 2010.

This bill would state that it addresses the fiscal emergency declared by the Governor by proclamation issued on January 8, 2010, pursuant to the California Constitution.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (1) of
- 2 Section 75050 of the Public Resources Code, the sum of twenty
- million dollars (\$20,000,000) is hereby appropriated to the
- 4 California Conservation Corps for disbursement to local
- 5 conservation corps for support of local conservation corps programs
- 6 and facilities.
- 7 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares 8
- that it is in the interests of the state and its citizens to create jobs
- 9 and employment opportunities for unemployed youth performing
- 10 environmental projects.

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(b) Notwithstanding Section 42476 of the Public Resources Code, the sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the Electronic Waste Recovery and Recycling Account in the Integrated Waste Management Fund to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle covered electronic devices, as defined in Section 42463 of the Public Resources Code, consistent with Chapter 8.5 (commencing with Section 42460) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.

- (c) In addition to purposes specified in Section 42889 of the Public Resources Code, the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the California Tire Recycling Management Fund, established by Section 42885 of the Public Resources Code, to the California Conservation Corps for the purposes of making direct grants to certified local community conservation corps to collect and recycle waste tires consistent with Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 42860) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, and for activities related to that collection and recycling.
- (d) Funds appropriated pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c) shall be used to provide immediate employment for at-risk youth and other persons who are members of local community conservation corps, so as to create new jobs, employ people in productive activities for fair wages, and reduce unemployment in the state.
- SEC. 2. This act addresses the fiscal emergency declared by the Governor by proclamation on January 8, 2010, pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 10 of Article IV of the California Constitution.